

DUCK TRACKS

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Two men were sitting in a smoke-filled room in the dorm when one took a long, deep drag on his cigarette and said, "How long are we going to be nice about this thing?"

"This thing" referred to the winless rut the Oregon football team has fallen into.

"Look," he said, "the last Duck victory came way back on Oct. 15 when Oregon swamped Colorado 42-14 on Hayward Field. Since that time the Big Green Machine has been walloped twice, (USC, 40-13, and Cal, 41-14), and been edged twice, (Iowa 34-31, and Washington, 28-27.

"Four straight defeats! That's a record for an Aiken coached team at the University," he added and paused to catch his breath.

His companion, who had been listening intently, took his pipe from his mouth and asked, "What do you mean, how long are we going to be nice about this thing? What do you want to do, hang a slightly thin, grey haired scalp on your belt and sing 'Mighty Oregon!' Just who is this WE you refer to so casually? After all, aren't you forgetting that an Aiken coached team went to the Cotton Bowl less than a year ago?"



BERNIE BIERMAN

Ducks Do More Than Get Beat

"And speaking of records, that same Oregon team that has been defeated on four consecutive weekends has done more than be beaten while spending 60 minutes a week in gridiron combat. The Ducks of 1949 have scored more points than any other team to represent the University. Their total now stands at a healthy 242 points in 10 games, or almost 25 points a game.

Besides that, Darrell Robinson, stellar, pass catching end has eclipsed Dick Wilkins' reception record, even without a Van Brocklin on the throwing end.

"Then Bob Sanders, Duck fullback, leads the PCC in scoring and rushing, Woodley Lewis in pass interceptions, and kickoff returns, Earl Stelle has a very respectable pass completion average, and Cool Pappy Daniels has place kicking down to the exact science stage. He has 30 points from 33 conversion attempts, plus three field goals for a total of 42 points."

Not Aiken's Fault Ducks Fall

By this time the pipe smoker was visibly angry, but wasn't about to stop his verbal barrage. "Do you think it is Jim Aiken's fault if the Ducks are defeated. Why are you crying because the Webfoots have fallen four times straight?"

"Take a look at Columbia where a certain all-time great coach by the name of Lou Little is doing the steering. The Lions have been routed for the last six weeks, starting with Yale 33-7, Penn 27-7, Army 63-6, Cornell 54-0, Dartmouth 35-14, and Navy 34-0 last Saturday, but do you hear a cry for Little's scalp.

Of course not. His followers respect him for the great man he is, just as you should Aiken for the great coach that he is. Returning to those Columbia scores again, in all six games the Lions could only garner 34 points, a little more than Aiken and Company tallied in the Iowa game alone.

"You're the kind of fan that screamed Bernie Bierman was living in stone age when his Golden Gophers were dumped by Michigan and Purdue, then clammed up when Iowa was annihilated by Minnesota 55-7. What kind of logic is that? A coach can only be as good as the players under him.

No Oregon Loss an Earth Shocker

"Getting back to the Oregon losses, none of them was an upset of almost earth shocking proportions like Kip Taylor's Oregon State crew engineered over powerful Michigan State last Saturday. Any team may be upset by less than one teedee while the other games with Cal and USC, the favored team just rolled.

"You saw the same thing happen in both Idaho and Colorado games on Hayward Field. Things like that can easily happen, especially when the team is playing before a foreign crowd.

"This week will be a good test for the Webfoots for they will be playing on their home ground against an arch-rival, the Beavers of Oregon State. These Beavers have all the capabilities necessary to dump the Ducks and do it badly. However, just wait till Saturday to do your screaming for the Beavers might go back to Corvallis singing 'All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth'—back.

"Say, just who is this WE you referred to, anyway."

SAE Rolls; Phi Delt B's Win League

TODAY'S GAMES

3:50

Tau Kappa Epsilon vs. Phi Kappa Alpha

Beta Theta Pi vs. Sederstrom Hall

4:35

Sigma Nu vs. Phi Kappa Sigma

Delta Tau Delta vs. Sherry Ross

5:15

Sigma Alpha Mu vs. Lambda Chi Alpha

Phi Gamma Delta vs. Stan Ray Hall

Undefeated Phi Delta Theta won the championship of League III in the "B" volleyball division yesterday afternoon by defeating Nestor Hall 15-1 and 15-5. The Phi Delt's became the first "B" team to gain eligibility for the December championship playoffs as they rolled to their seventh and eighth triumphs of the season.

Another undefeated team, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, took a big step forward by downing Sigma Phi Epsilon 15-7 and 15-12. Alpha Tau Omega and Sigma Chi also gained additional ground when Cherney Hall and French Hall, respectively, failed to show up and lost by forfeit.

The closest contest of the day featured a tight battle between Theta Chi and Phi Kappa Psi. The Phi Psi's took an impressive 12-3 lead in the opener, overcame a stubborn Theta Chi rally, and won 15-11. Theta Chi bounced back to take the middle game 15-9, and the finale was deadlocked at 4-4, 7-7, and 9-9 before Theta Chi finally broke loose and seized a 15-12 victory after coming from behind three times during the tilt.

Delta Upsilon downed a hard-fighting Phi Sigma Kappa sextet 15-11 and 15-4, galloping to an early 9-0 lead in the second game.

Sports Shorts

MIAMI, Fla. (UP)—The Orange Bowl Committee today was advised that unbeaten Army will not participate in any post-season football game next January.

The announcement came in a telegram from Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray to John S. Knight, publisher of the Miami Herald, who had contacted the cadets on behalf of the Orange Bowl.

The committee will send scouts this week to the Oklahoma-Santa Clara, Kentucky-Tennessee and Tulane-Virginia games.

ST. LOUIS—(UP)—Zack Taylor, whose St. Louis Browns were deep in the American League second division during his three seasons as manager, today was signed to lead the club again in 1950.

Browns' President Bill Dewitt announced at a news conference that the 51-year-old Taylor would manage the club under a one-year contract.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—(UP)—Robert Villemain, light-hitting French Middleweight, Tuesday pounded out a unanimous ten-round decision over durable Tony DiMicco of Schenectady, N. Y., in his final tuneup bout before he meets Champion Jake LaMotta in a non-title scrap Dec. 9.

BUFFALO, N. Y. (UP)—Quarterback George Ratterman, the gridiron magician of the Buffalo Bills, revealed the neatest trick of his career today—a switch to the New York Bulldogs of the rival National Football League that is expected to net him some \$4,000.

Women's Sports

Volleyball TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Alpha Delta Pi vs. Hendricks Hall

Winners were decided in all five leagues of intramural volleyball as Kappa Kappa Gamma defeated Rebec House 31-29, while the team from Alpha Delta Pi posted a 37-27 win over Ann Judson House.

Monday's action saw University House climb one step higher in defense of their 1948 championship title by winning from Hendricks Hall, 46-14, while A D Pi defeated Alpha Xi Delta, 37-20. Ann Judson House also entered the semi-finals by defeating Alpha Phi, 46-14.

The Evergreens and the Cascades, University of Oregon women's hockey teams, won a total of four games during the weekend at the Northwest Field Hockey tournament held in Corvallis.

The Evergreens won all three of its games with the team from Washington State College, the Vancouver, B. C. "B" team, and the Idaho "Vandals." The Cascades defeated the College of Idaho, tied the University of Washington "Purple" team, and lost to the Vancouver, B. C., "A" team.

Evergreen captain is Jessie Toten, and captain of the Cascades is Frances Hussey. Miss Janet Woodruff is coach of both teams.

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